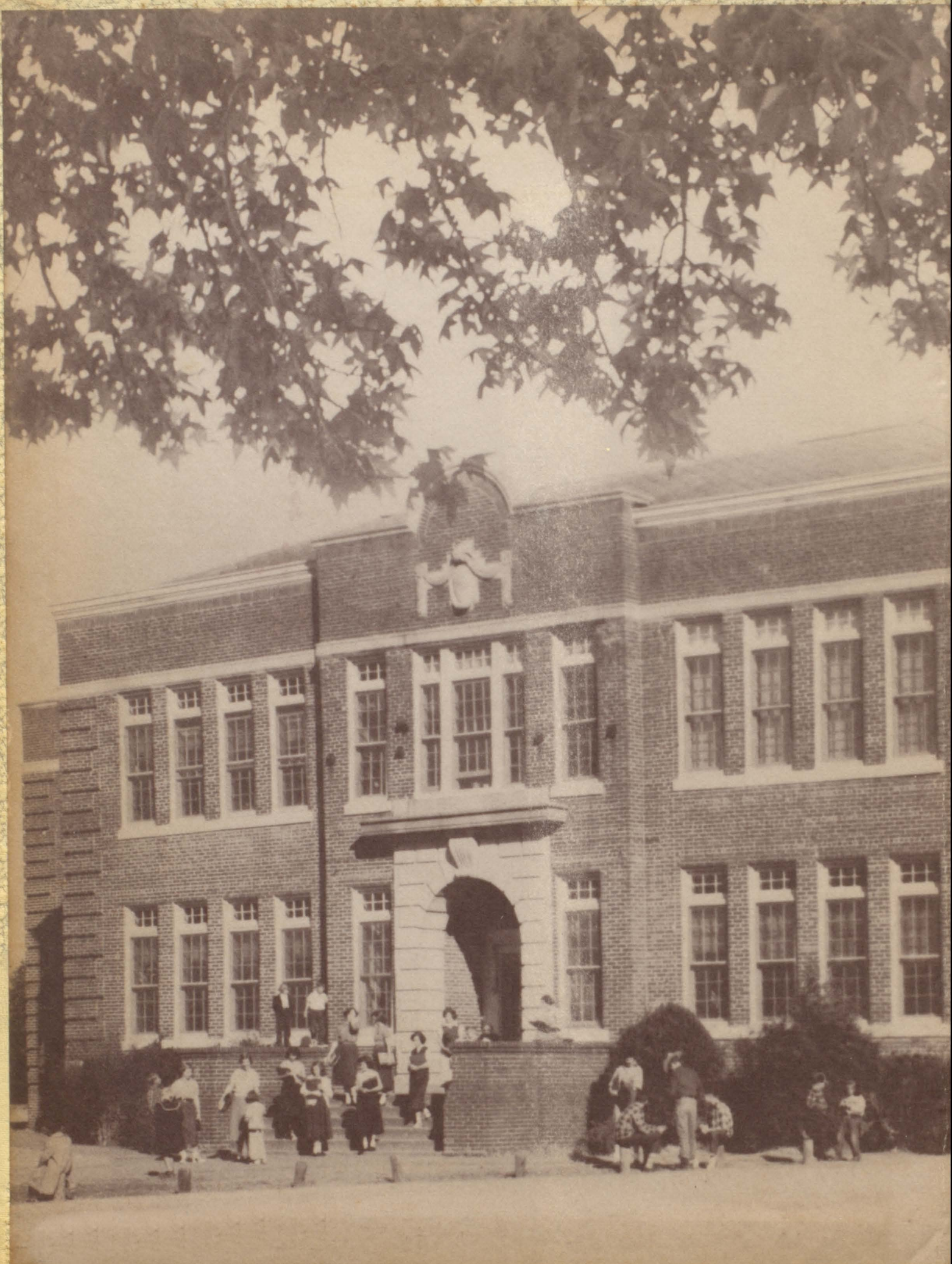
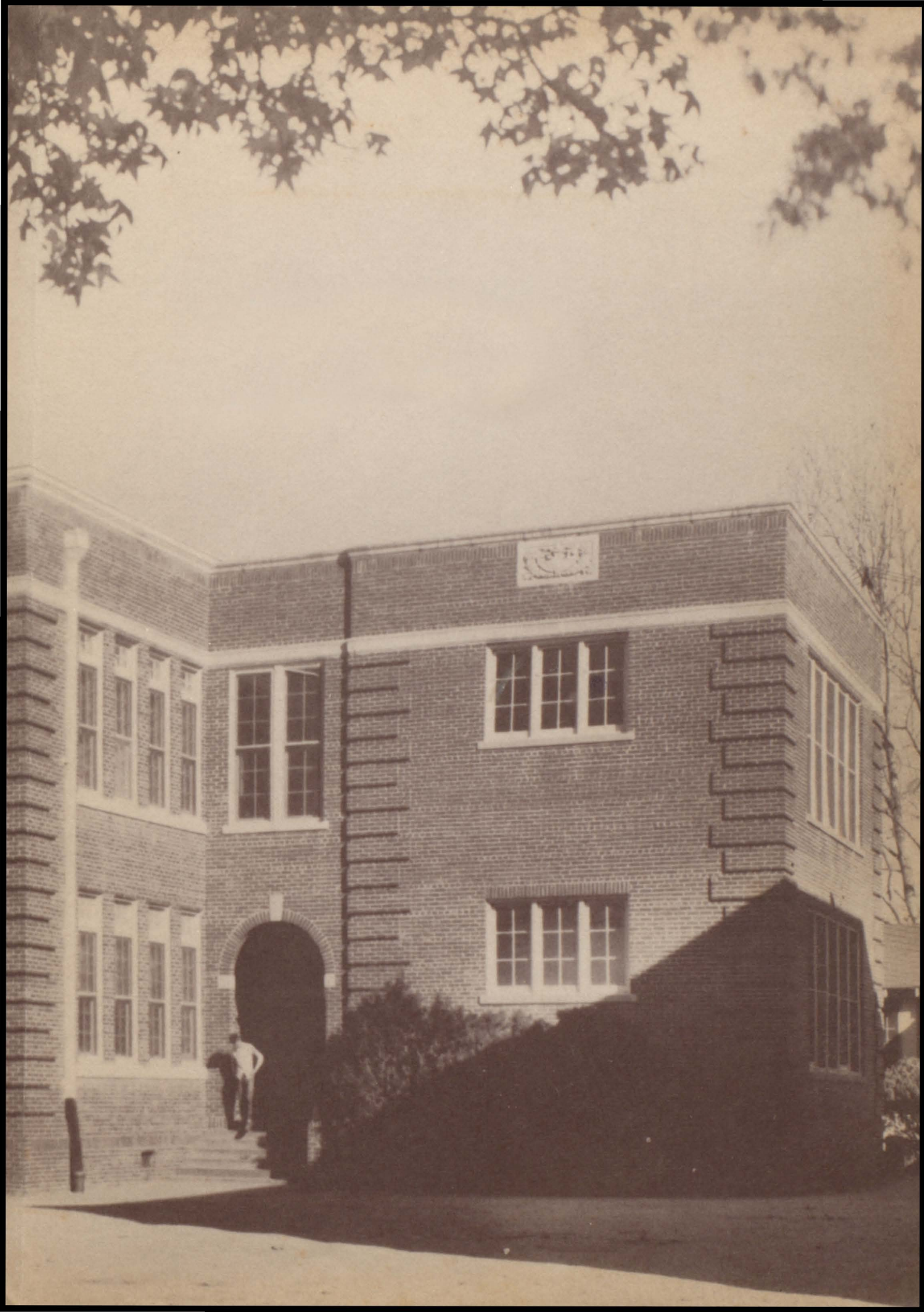
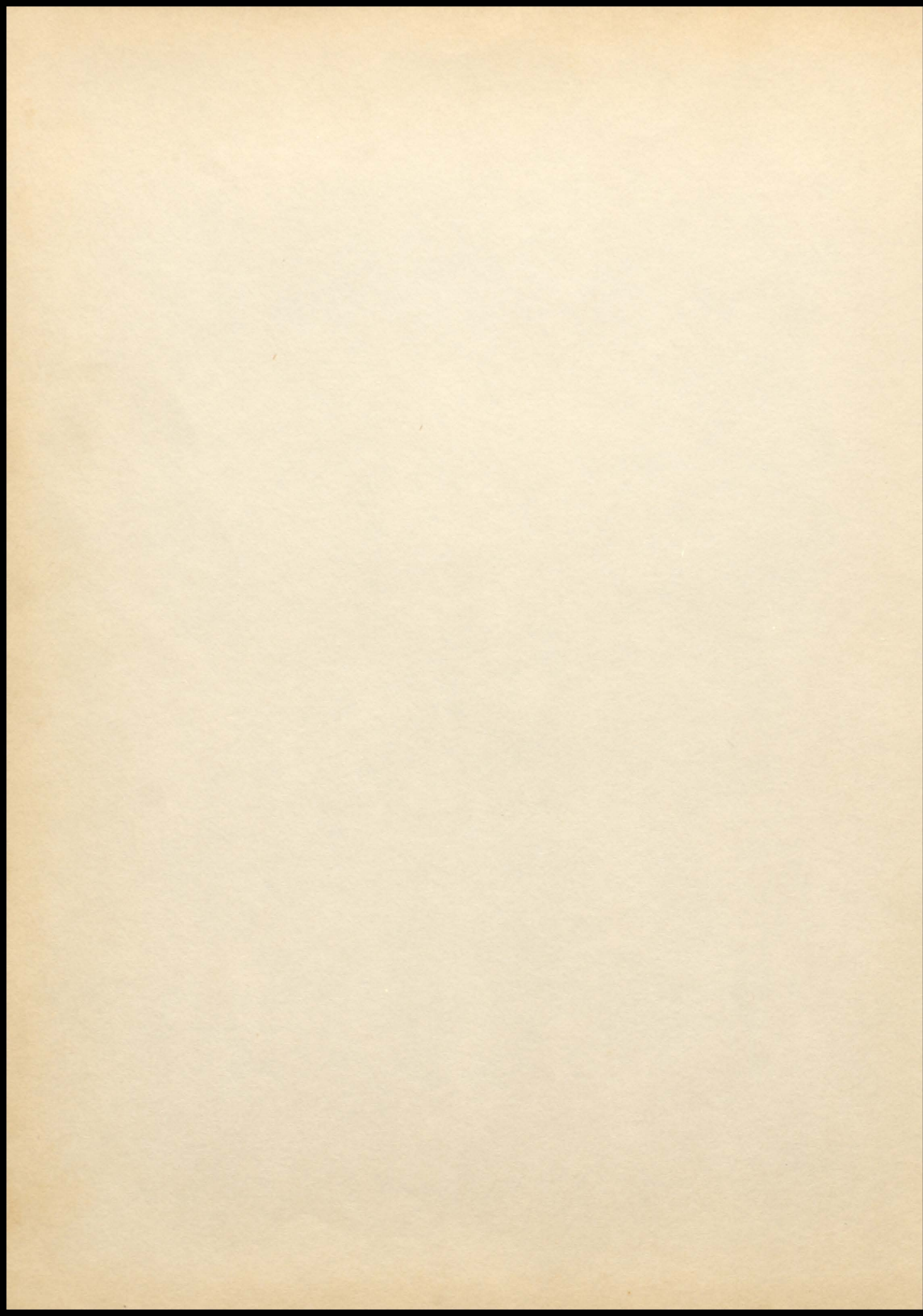


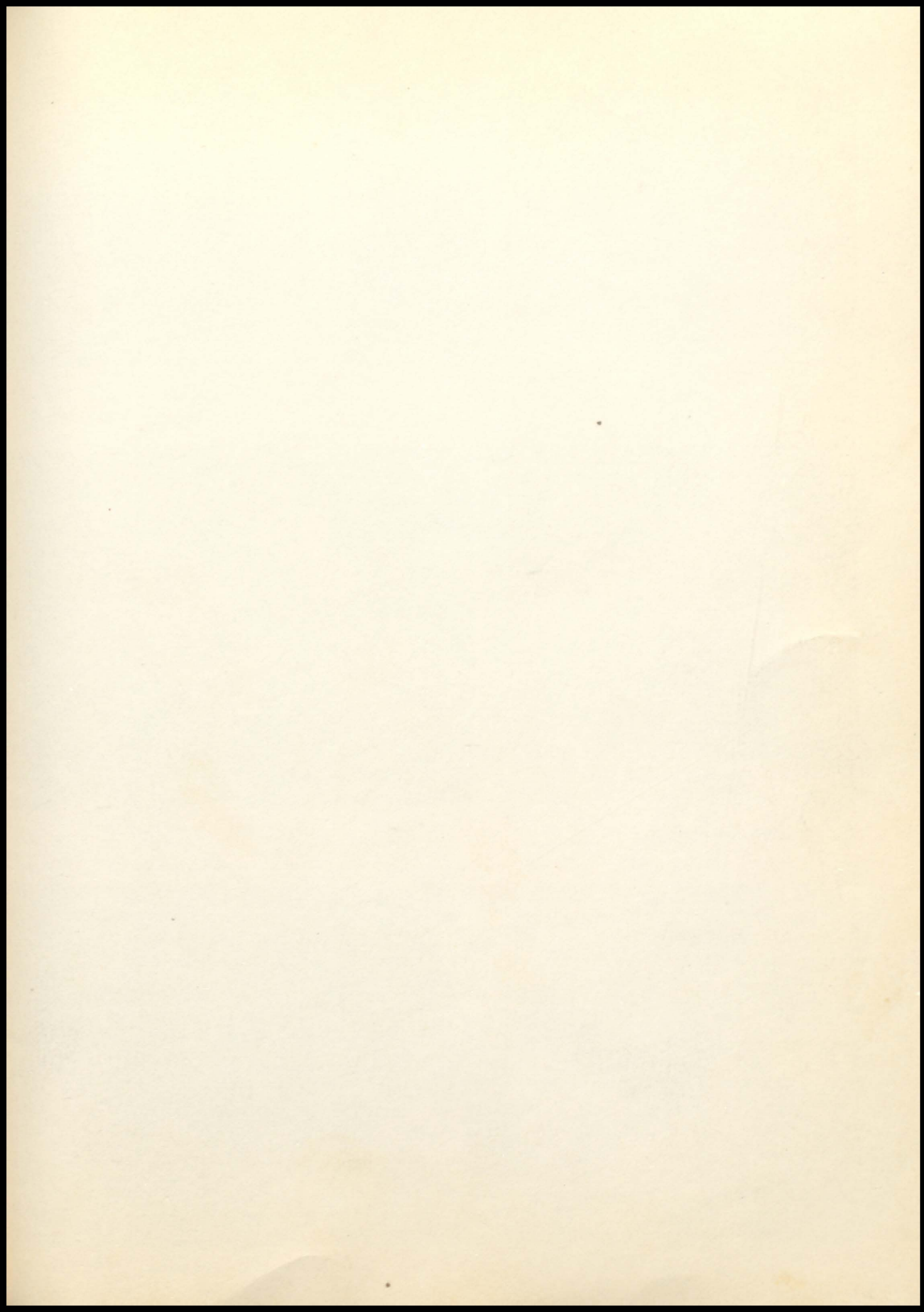


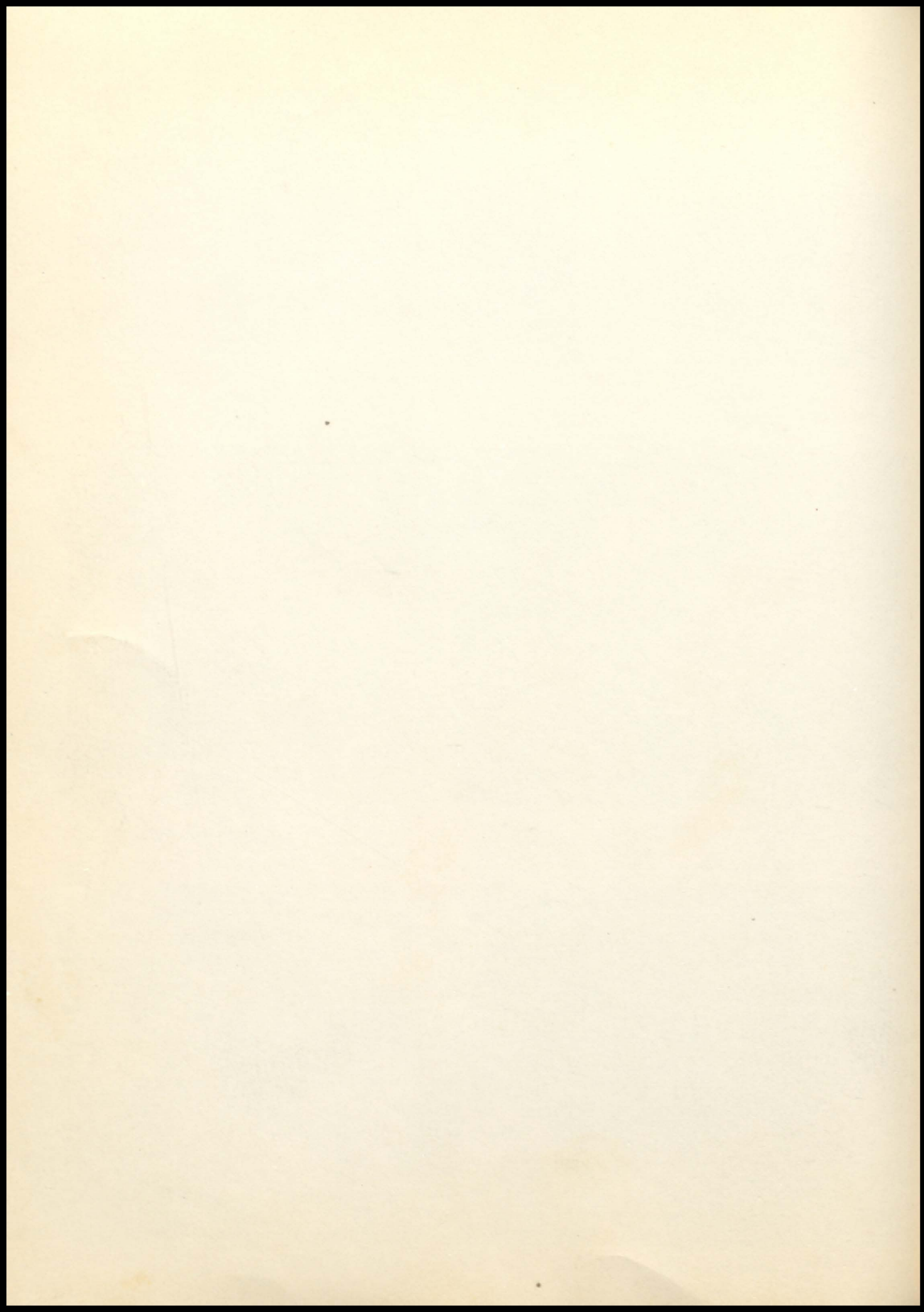
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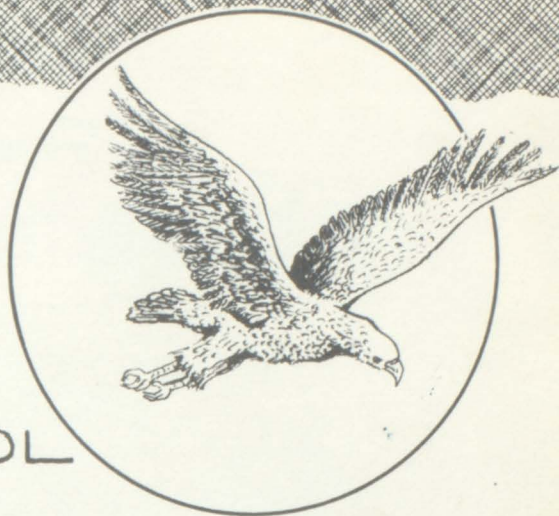






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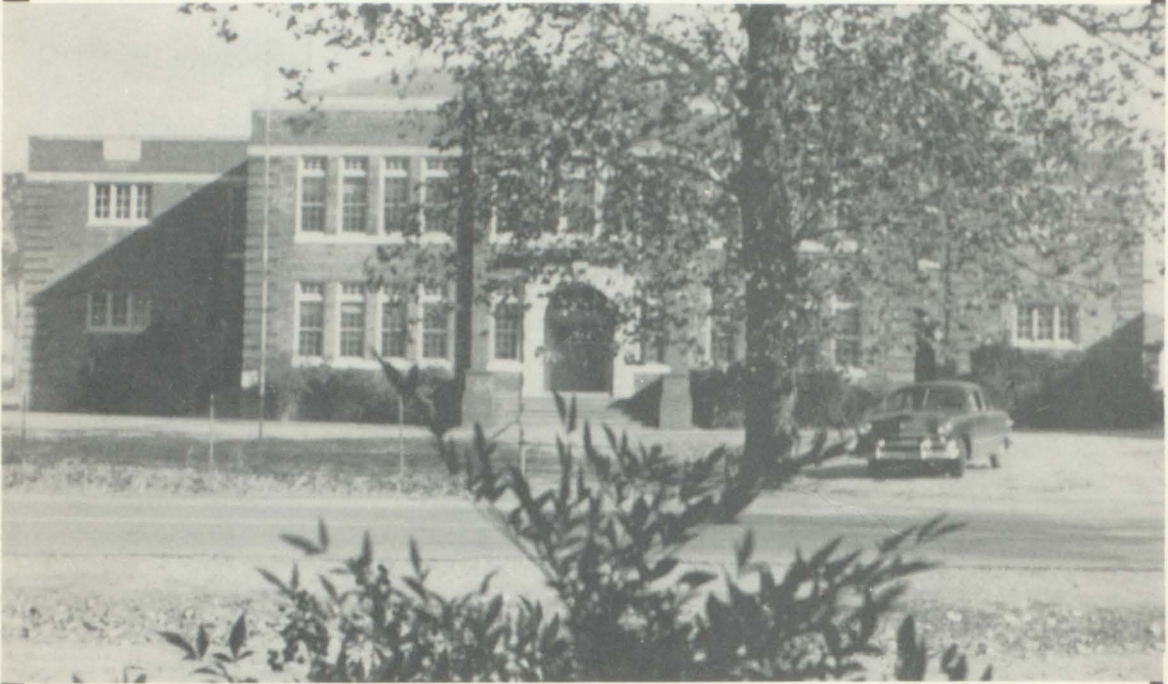
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HIGH SCHOOL



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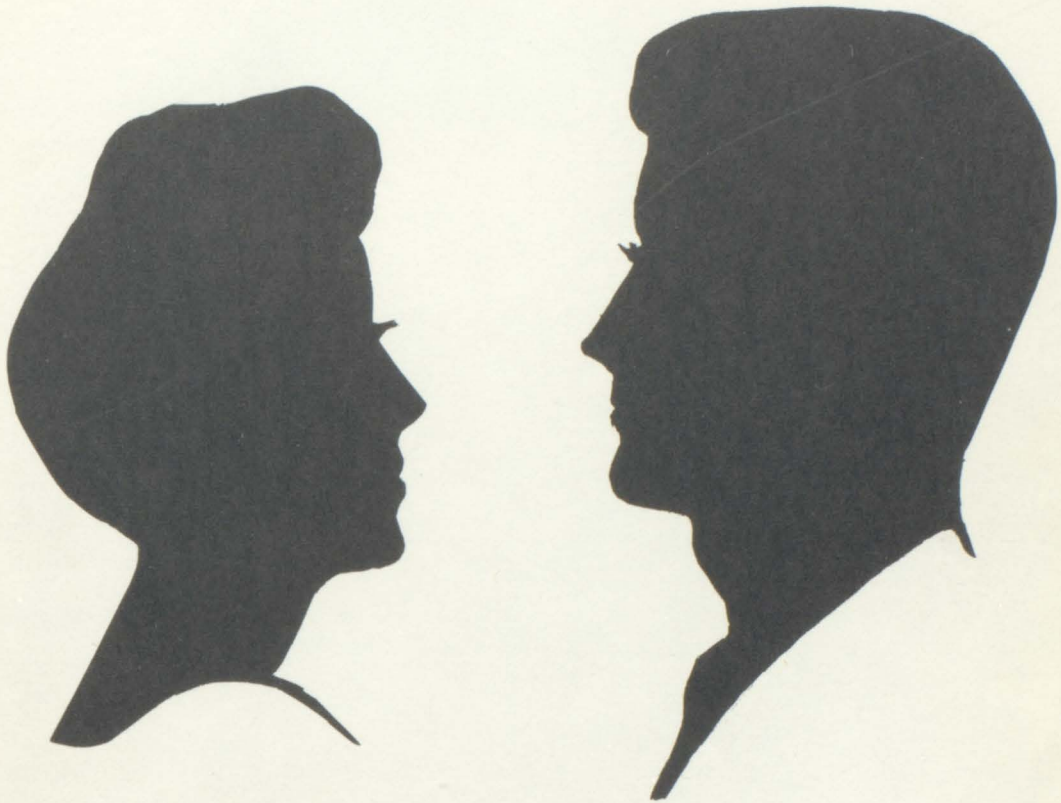
Foreword



Let us here review the school days of 1952-53 at Belcher! On the following pages you will find a record of the happenings of the student body and faculty members - - some are happy and some are sad experiences, but we hope they portray for you a likeness of that eventful year. You, students and faculty, have made the year and we, the staff, have recorded it as we saw it.

Year Book Staff

Dedication



Giving us support in all that we undertake, helping us with our problems at all times and making many opportunities for all future development are those so dear to us - - our parents. In appreciation of their constant prayers and efforts in our behalf we dedicate this record of our lives during the school year of 1952-1953.

Principal's Message



BELCHER HIGH SCHOOL

POWELL A. LAYTON, PRINCIPAL
BELCHER, LOUISIANA

Dear Friends:

February 11, 1953

Into this book the annual staff has assembled for us a pictorial story of our school days during this session. We have made many new friends and strengthened our old friendships while others have moved on but are not forgotten.

It has been said that a friend is a person who still likes you despite your accomplishments. Perhaps this is putting the cart before the horse but there is always a genuine challenge in success and in meeting these problems we will find that our friends can be a most valuable asset.

As you turn the pages of this 1952-1953 EAGLE, recall those days and occasions which were most pleasant and you will discover that had it not been for the close relationships enjoyed, there would be nothing to remember.

Cherish your memories of past acquaintances and look to the future with a living faith in Him, who placed us here as His children and let us do unto His Kingdom on Earth as He would have us do.

Congratulations to the annual staff and Mrs. Gleason for a job well done. Best wishes always from your friend at the Belcher School.

Powell A. Layton

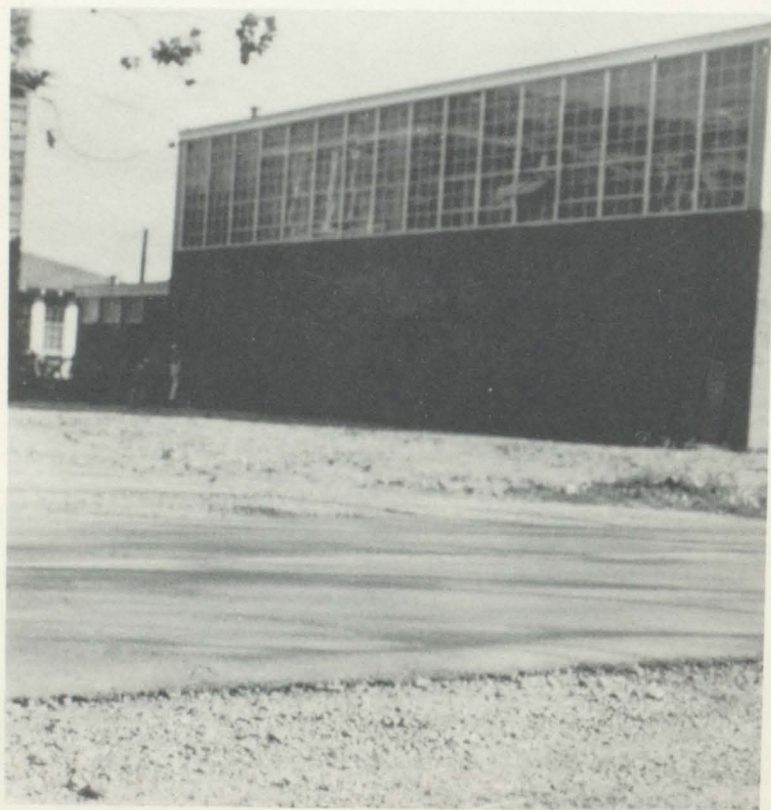


Our Alma Mater

Oh Belcher High our Alma Mater, fairest
in the land,
Through all the years, through smiles
and tears,
We need thy guiding hand.
Thy name we honor and respect as days
go by,
We'll never lose fond memories of dear
old Belcher High.



THE BUILDING



OUR GYM



Faculty

*Joe -
you need to change girl friends
on just see that talking in
my study hall -*



POWELL A. LAYTON
Principal
B. S. and M. A.
Southwest Texas State
University of Texas

Powell Layton



CATHERINE STINSON
First Grade
B. S. Centenary
Peabody College

CATHERINE BARHAM
Second Grade
B. A. Louisiana Tech

MATTIE STEPHENS
Third Grade
B. S. Centenary

DOROTHY WHITE
Fourth Grade
B. A. Louisiana College



DOROTHY SMITH
Fifth Grade
B. A. and M. S.
University of Arkansas

DOLORES CARTER
Sixth Grade
B. A. Northwestern



*Good luck to a most
persistent lover.*

MARY WYNN DIXON
Math B. A., Centenary



JANICE DAVIDSON
English, History
B. A., Louisiana
Polytechnic Institute

BRYAN E. CONNELL
Physical Education, Math
Science
B. S., Centenary



MARY ANN GREENE
Home Economics, Science,
History
B. S., Louisiana Tech

*Keep up the good
work in the coming year.*



AMY GLEASON
English, History
B. A., Louisiana
Polytechnic Institute

MAX ANN GARRETT
Band Director
B. S., Northwestern



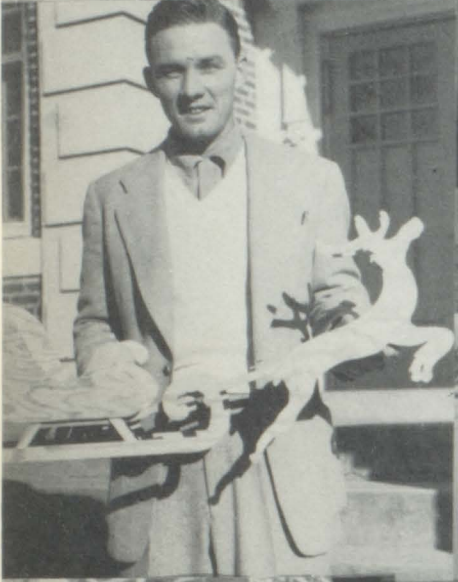
ELODIE CURRY
Piano, Voice
Silliman College
B. M., L. S. U.

VERA SELF
Cafeteria Director

Faculty Snapshots



Faculty Snapshots



Family Affairs



Classes

Class Snapshots



Tenth Grade
Working hard?



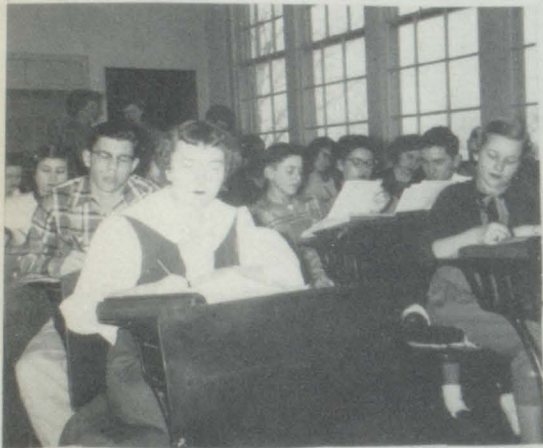
Third Grade
Aren't they cute?



Eighth Grade
Studious things!



Eleventh Grade
Just one more year!



Twelfth Grade
Intellectuals?



Ninth Grade
Lowly Freshmen



Fourth Grade



Fifth Grade

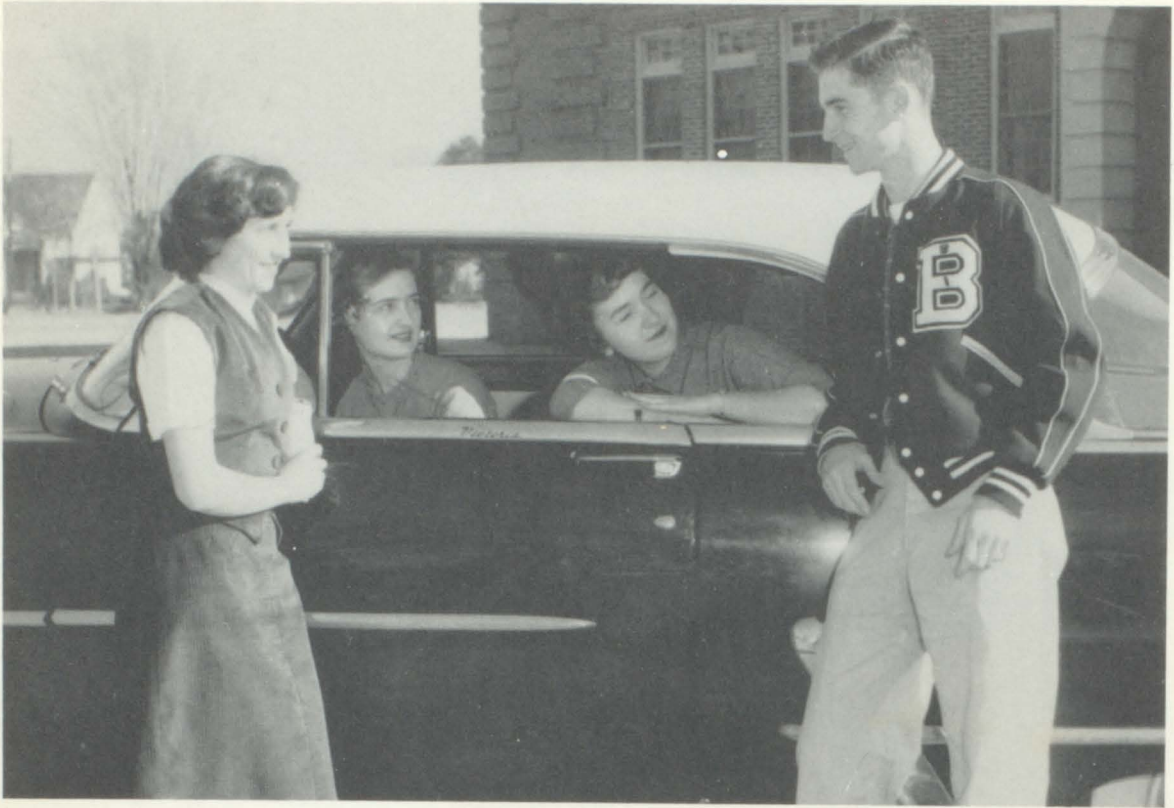


Sixth Grade



★
Seniors

Senior Class Officers



President - - - - - MILDRED DAKE
Vice President - - - - - RAY VOLENTINE
Secretary - - - - - GLENDA LEE
Treasurer - - - - - THELMA JANE McKINNEY
Sponsor - - - - - MRS. GLEASON

CLASS COLORS: Red and White

CLASS FLOWER: Carnation

CLASS MOTTO: "Make each new morning the
opening door to a better
day than the one before."



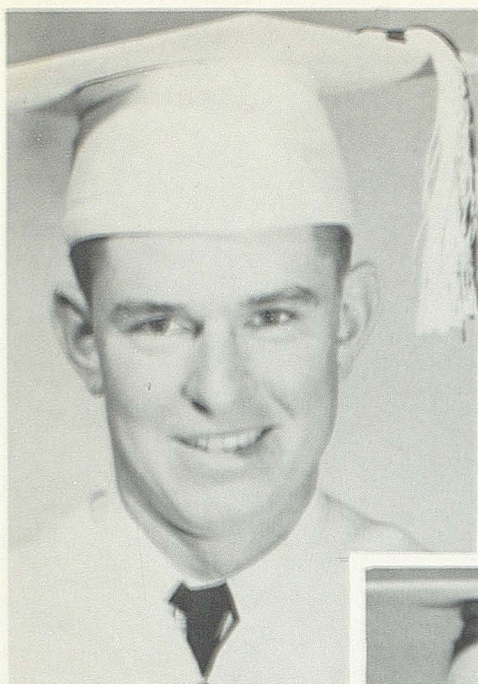
RUTHIE CONNELL
 Favorite 52-53; Wittiest
 52; Cheerleader 52-53;
 Spanish Club 52-53;
 Annual Staff 52-53;
 Tattler Staff 52; Friend-
 liest 53.



ROSEBUD BICKHAM
 President 50; Cheerleader
 52-53; Alternate 50-51;
 Band 50-51-52; Band
 Favorite 51-52; Home
 Economic Club 50; Choral
 Club 51; Favorite 52;
 Most Likely to Succeed
 52; Annual Staff 52-53;
 Tattler Staff Co-Editor
 52; Book Club 53.



SHIRLEY BAILEY
 Home Economic Club 50;
 Treasurer 51; Choral Club
 51; Annual Staff 52.



A. J. CRAIN
Basketball 50-51-52-53;
Favorite 52; Best Athletic 52-53; Tattler Staff 52.

MILDRED DAKE
Secretary 50-51-52; Home Economic Club 50; Choral Club 51; Annual Staff 52; Editor 53; Tattler Staff 52; President 53; Favorite 53; Alternate Cheerleader 53; Student Council 52; Basketball Sweetheart 53.

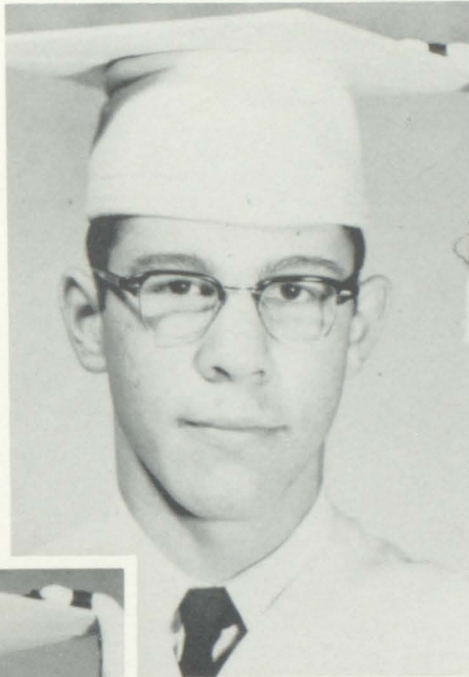


GAIL GLEASON
Home Economic Club 50; Choral Club 51; Favorite 52-53; Cheerleader 53; Alternate 52; Spanish Club 52-53; Annual Staff 52-53; Tattler Staff 52; Red Cross Representative 53; Carnival Queen 53; Book Club 53.



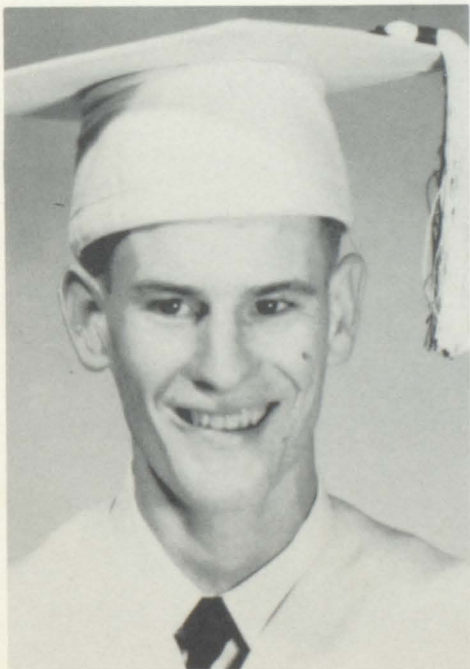
GLEND A LEE

Treasurer 50; Home Economic Club 50; Choral Club 51; Alternate Cheerleader 52; Spanish Club 52-53; Tattler Staff 52; Annual Staff 52-53; Secretary 53.



BEN HAYGOOD

4-H Club 50-51; Boy Scout 50; Vice President 51; Band 50-51; Best Personality 52; Basketball 52-53; Spanish Club 52-53.



EUGENE HARKNESS

Basketball 51-52-53; Boy Scout 50-52-53.



JASPER LYNN

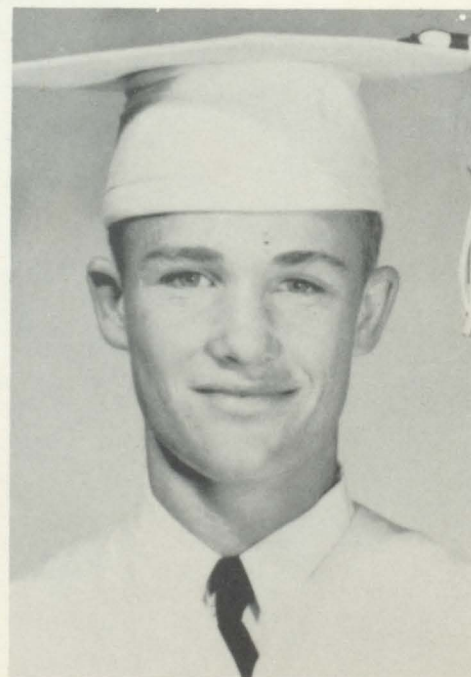
Vice President 50; Band
50-51-52; 4-H Club 50;
Boy Scout 50-51-52-53;
Basketball 52-53; Pres-
ident 52; Favorite 52-53;
Best All Around 52-53;
Annual Staff 52-53;
Tattler Staff 52.



THELMA JANE

McKINNEY

Band 50-51-52; Home
Economic Club 50; Choral
Club 51; Vice President
52; Best Personality 52;
Best All Around 53;
Spanish Club 52-53;
Annual Staff 52-53;
Tattler Staff 52,
Treasurer 53; Book
Club 53.



TOMMY MYERS

Basketball 53; Favorite
53; Entered 53.

GENEVIEVE REEVES
 Favorite 50-51-52-53;
 Cheerleader 51-52-53;
 Alternate 50; Student
 Council 50-53; Home
 Economic Club 50;
 President 51; Choral Club
 51; Most Popular 52-53;
 Annual Staff 52-53;
 Tattler Staff 52; Spanish
 Club 52-53; Book Club
 53.



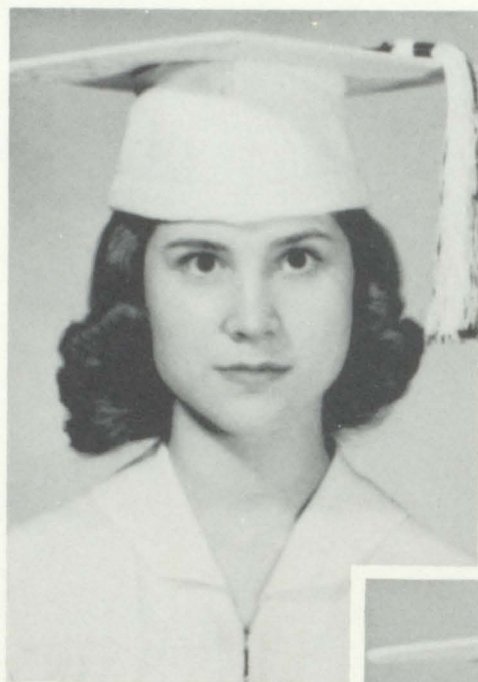
JOHN PAUL REECE
 Band 50-51-52; Treasurer
 52; Wittiest 52.



JULIA ANN PARKER
 Band 51-52-53; Choral
 Club 51.



CLARIECE RENEAU
Home Economic Club 50;
Choral Club 51; Annual
Staff 52.

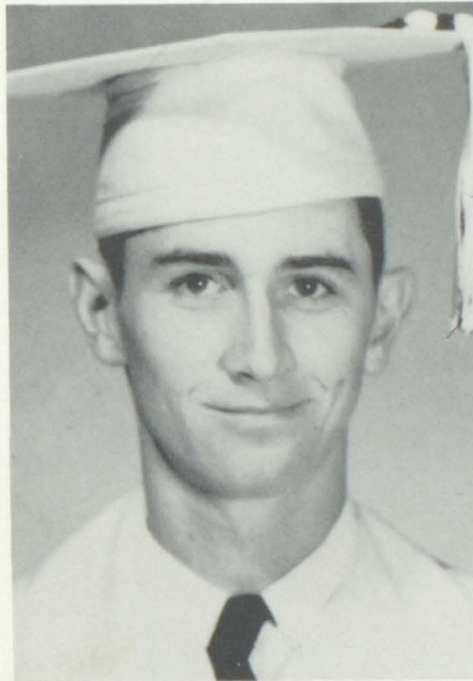


RUTHIE SELF
Home Economic Club 50;
Choral Club 51; Red Cross
Representative 52; Tattler
Staff 52; Annual Staff 52;
book Club 53.



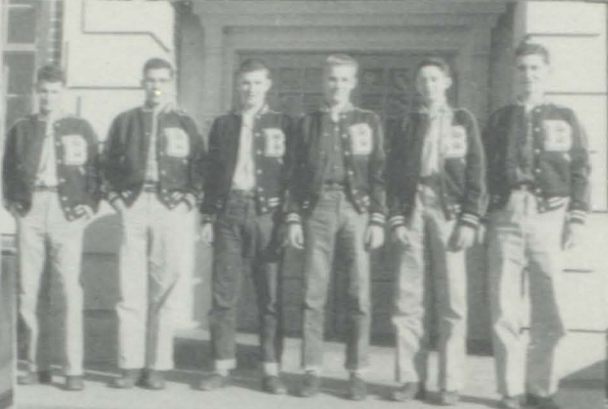
CLYDE TERRY

HOUSTON TERRY
Basketball 52.



RAY VOLENTINE
Band 50-51-52; 4-H Club
50-51; Boy Scout 50-51;
Most Likely to Succeed 52;
Basketball 53; Annual Staff
52; Vice President 53.

Senior Snapshots





Juniors[☆]

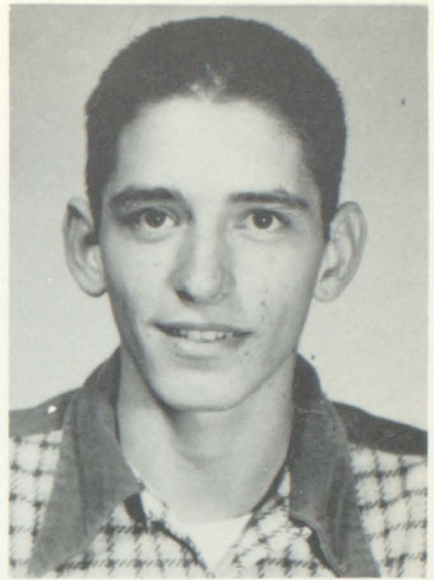
Junior Class Officers



President - - - - -	JESSE HEMPERLEY
Vice President - - - - -	ERNESTINE PARKER
Secretary - - - - -	BARBARA WILKINSON
Treasurer - - - - -	JIMMY ARMSTRONG
Sponsor - - - - -	MRS. GREENE



JIMMY ARMSTRONG



SHIRLEY BRACKMAN



J. C. HARKNESS





JESSE HEMPERLEY



ROSEMARY HERRING



BOBBY PARKER

EARNESTINE PARKER



ROGER WALTERS



Good luck to
a very friendly
fellow!
Roger Walters

BARBARA WILKINSON



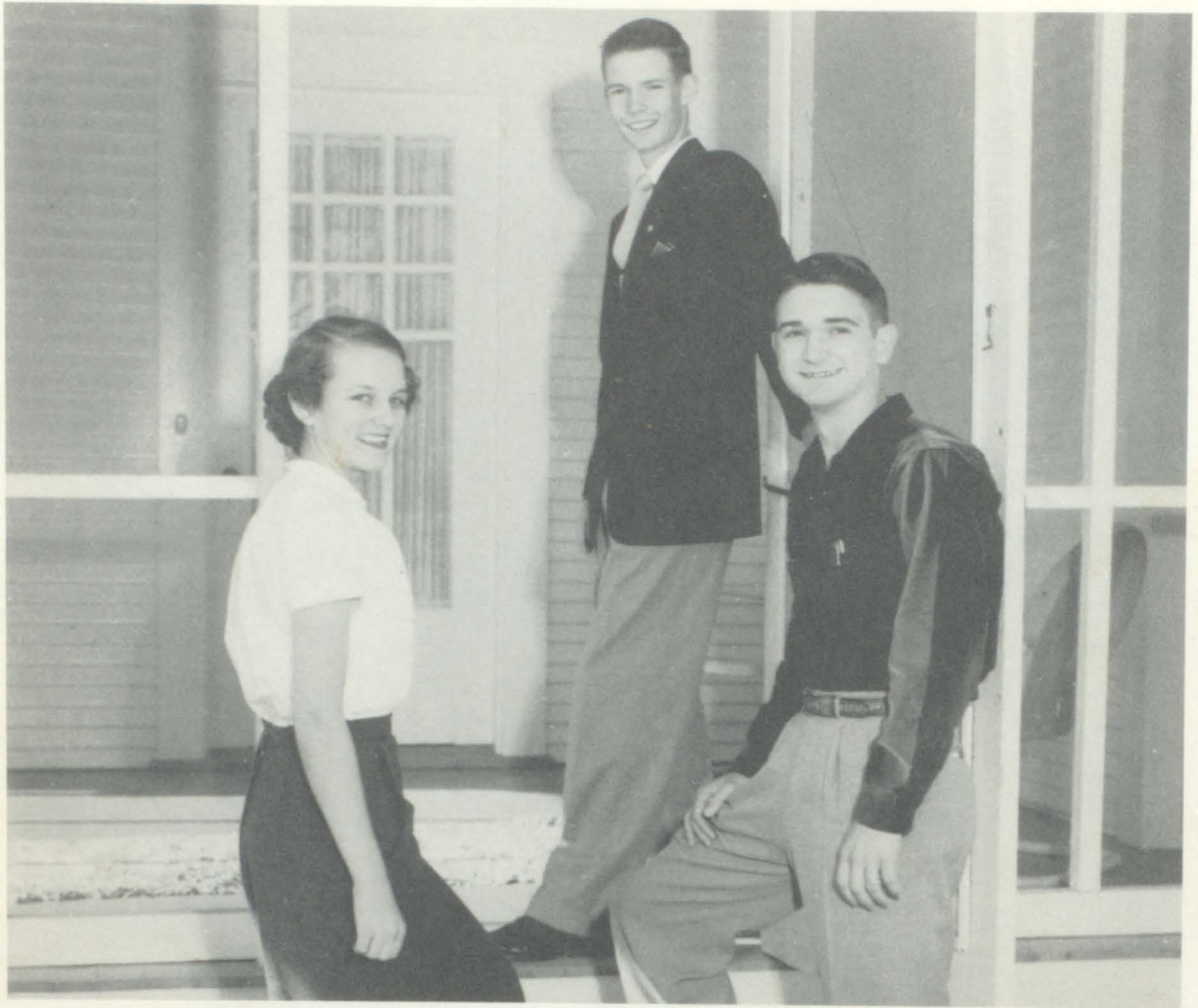
Junior Snapshots





Sophomores

Sophomore Class Officers



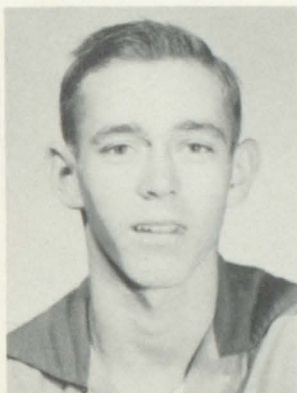
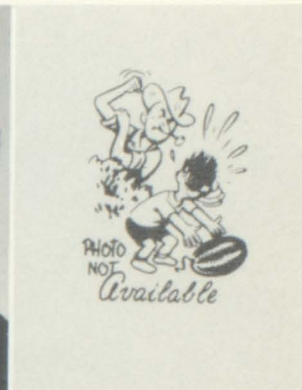
President - - - - - Danny Logan
Vice President - - - - - Anna Beth Lankford
Secretary-Treasurer - - - - - Joe Holman
Sponsor - - - - - Bryan Connell



I have enjoyed
 knowing you the
 past year in school
 may we remain
 best of friends.
 Good Luck!
 a friend
 Laron Bounds

Laron Bounds

Shirley R. Bounds



Floyd Crain

Floyd Crain

*all the best of
 luck and hopping
 in the old world.
 Manuel*

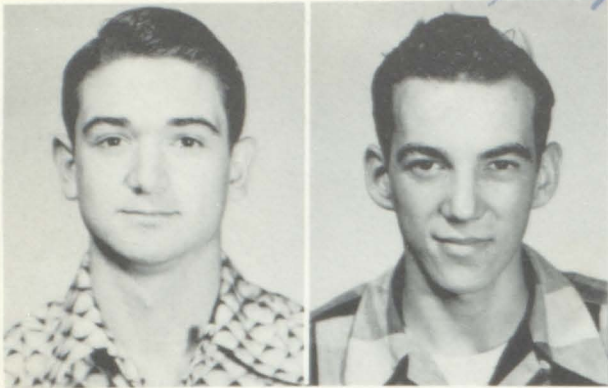
*Patsy D.
 "Pat"*

Patsy Denmon

Manuel Hernandez

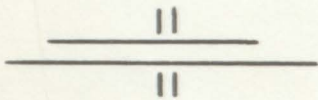


Kendall Kelly



Joe Holeman

Kendall Kelly



Anna B. Lankford

Anna B. Lankford



Dannys Logan



Dannie Logan

James Merrill

James W. Merrill

Best of luck to a very
 nice boy I have enjoyed
 going to school with.
 may you have the best
 of luck in life. may you
 have the best of luck with
 Josie.
 your friend,

Donnie nichols

Donnie Nichols

Josie Pizzolato



Wilna Preston

Murlin Whatley

Wilna

Murlin Whatley

Patsy Volentine

Patsy Volentine

Betty Wilkinson

Betty



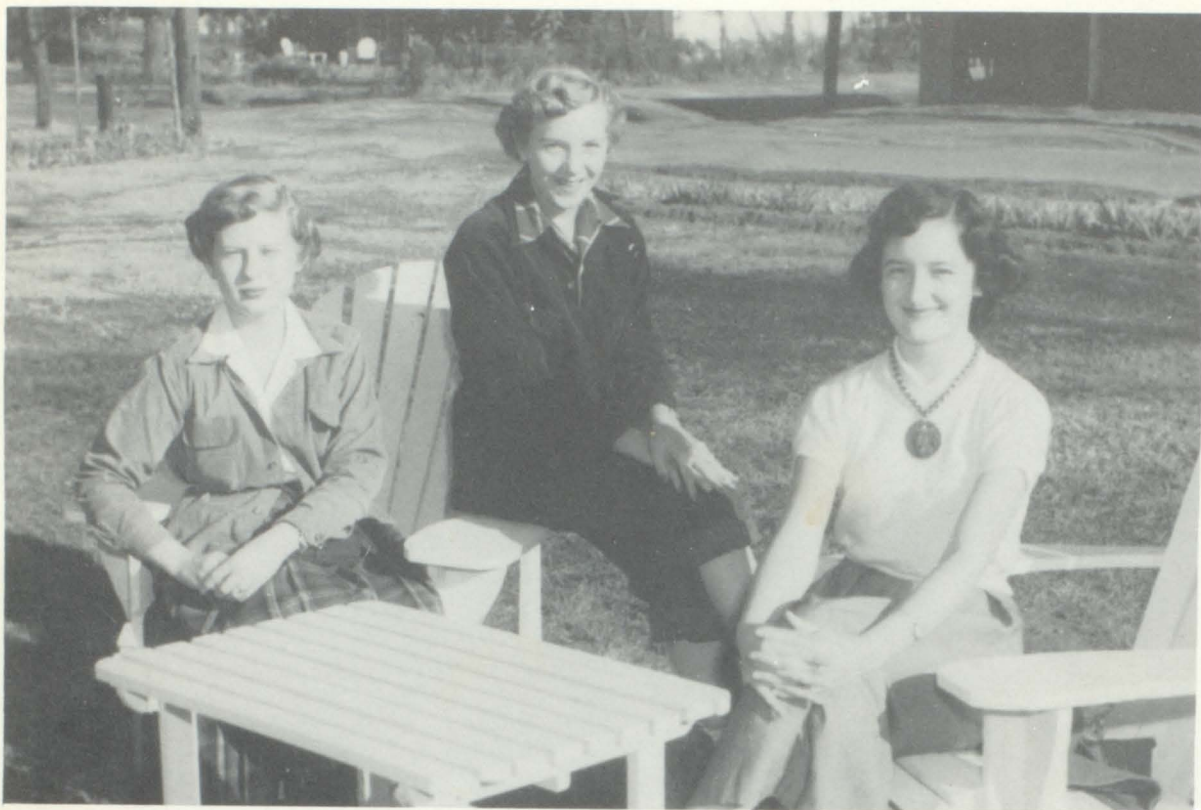
Saphmore Snapshots





Freshmen

Freshman Class Officers



President - - - - - Martha Curry
Vice President - - - - - Janice Howell
Secretary-Treasurer - - - - - Ann Dodson
Sponsor - - - - - Miss Davidson





Johnny Armstrong

Perry Campbell



Calvin Bickham



Rodney Carlisle



David Bickham



Howard Cole



Martha Curry





*Best wishes
to you (+ yours)
always - Ann*

Ann Dodson



Mary E. Gunning



Mattie Harkness

Janice Howell



Mary Lou Land



Bobby Mathis



Joseph Procella



Bobby Ray Reneau



Bryan Matthews



Shirley Wilkinson



Tanne McDade



Hershell Meshell





Freshmen Snapshots



Junior High

Eighth Grade Class Officers



President - - - - -	Ronald McKissack
Vice President - - - - -	Josie Glassell
Secretary - - - - -	Linda Byrd
Treasurer - - - - -	Leslie Davis
Sponsor - - - - -	Mrs. Dixon



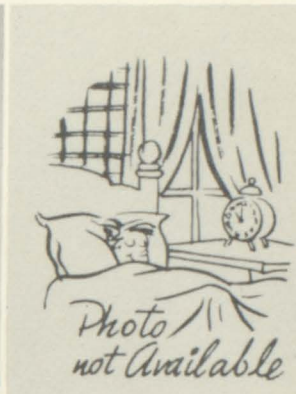
Edward Barrett

Linda Byrd



Leslie Davis

Billy Dickson



Mary Ann Droke

Leo Du Cote



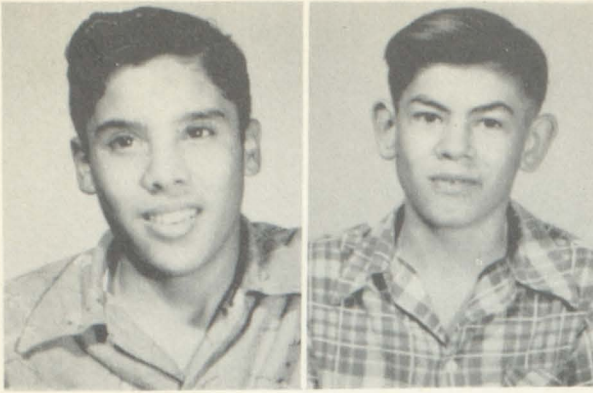
*Lots of luck
always
M.A. Droke*



Josie Glassell

Butch Gleason

*Lots of luck to you
and Josie and I know
you will get along fine.
Butch*



Philip Hernandez

Thomas Gibson



Robert Herring

B. D. Howeth



William Land

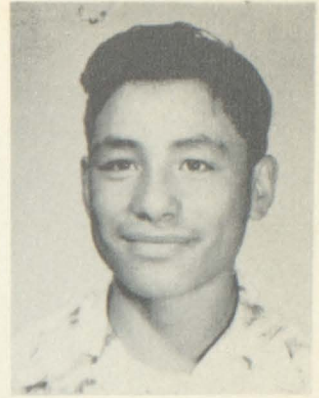
Evelyn Larabell



Jimmy Larabell

Ronald McKissack

Johnny Meshell



John Richard Parker

Van Robinson



Wesley Shaver

Felton Smith



Sally Terry

Dale Thomas

Eighth Grade Snapshots



Linda



Josie and Butch



Butch



Going Hunting?



Pretty Car

Seventh Grade Class Officers



President	-----	John Logan
Vice President	-----	Jimmy Bailey
Secretary	-----	Peggy Denmon
Treasurer	-----	Ann Dickson
Sponsor	-----	Mr. Layton



Jimmy Bailey



Betty Bounds

Sandra Connell



Lamar Curry

Beverly Davis



Gwen Davlin

Peggy Denmon



Lois Ann Dickson

John Hawkins



Martha Lee



John Logan



Diana Meares

Gertrude Reeves

Tressa Reneau



Edna Alice Smith

Quida Terry



Linda Thomas

Helen Wilkinson



Seventh Grade Snapshots



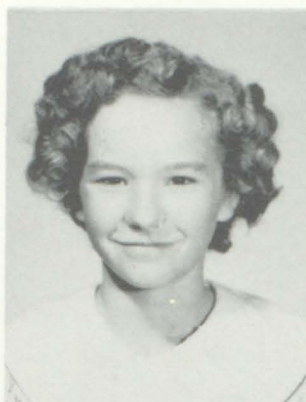


Elementary

Jim Adger

Walter Clark

Martha Ann Gills



Yvonne Harkness

Lessie Lee Haygood

Donald Hemperley



Mickey Lankford

Sammy Mitchell

Barbara Parker



Betty Parker

Dorothy Powell

Edward Price



Freddie Smith

Tommy Stinson

Ralph Gibson



Clarence Reece

Carolyn Self

Audrey Smith

Fred Hernadez

Katherine Land



Mary E. Connell

Millie Glassell



Gary Carter

Gary Cole



Elton Bailey

Brenda Brown



Morris Adger

Tommy Arrington



Sally Lytton

Emma Lou McDade



Mary Merrill

Billy Sentell



Nan Van Hoose

Julian Villard



Beverly Volentine

Roger Wilbanks



Frances Wilkinson

Donnie Worley

Jimmie Barrett

Linda Bonner



Carolyn Bounds

Karen Campbell



Gary Carlisle

Mary. F. Clark



Marion Davlin

Claudette Hall



Tommy Meshell

Juanita Reneau



Shirely Simpson

Glenna Smith

Horace W. Taylor

William Terry



Alice Villard





Andrew Bell

Charlotte Carlisle



Hile Dake

Billy Howeth

Lucky Larabell

Tommy McKinney



Mickey McDade

Beth Meares



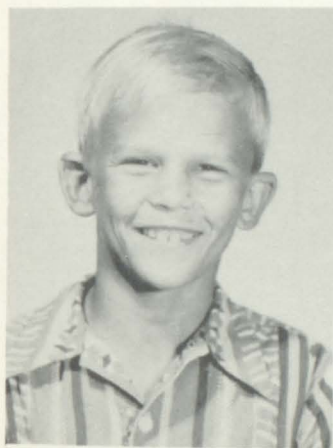
Daliah Patterson

Joe Reece



Don Richerson

Jack Stephens



Reed Terry

Betty Todd



Diane Worley

Andy Yarborough



Bill Bailey

Butch Brown

Luther Davis

Jeanette Harkness

Dail Moore

Mona Hemperley

Richard Larabell

Ruby Meshe11

Chere Robins

Linda Simpson



James Stahl

Jim Terry



Roberta Terry

Tommy Villard



Darlene Warner

Bobby Garza



Lloyd Weldon

Sandra Weldon



Charles Wilkinson

Robert Shively



Sylvia Adger

Curtis Brackman



Jeanne Carlisle

Kay Cheatham

Belle Clark



Rosia Marie Clark

John Alfred Compton

Sallie Dixon



Jimmy Dodson

Bonnie Garza

Delores Garza



Rosie Lena Garza

Jimmy Hanson

Carolyn Lee

Sherry Ann Lynn

Patsy Flenniken



Julia Claire Nance

Charles Price

Bobby Reece



Mike Robinson

Ben Stephens

Linda Carol Teer



Mary Todd

Paul Todd

Bub Van Hoose



Harvie Villard

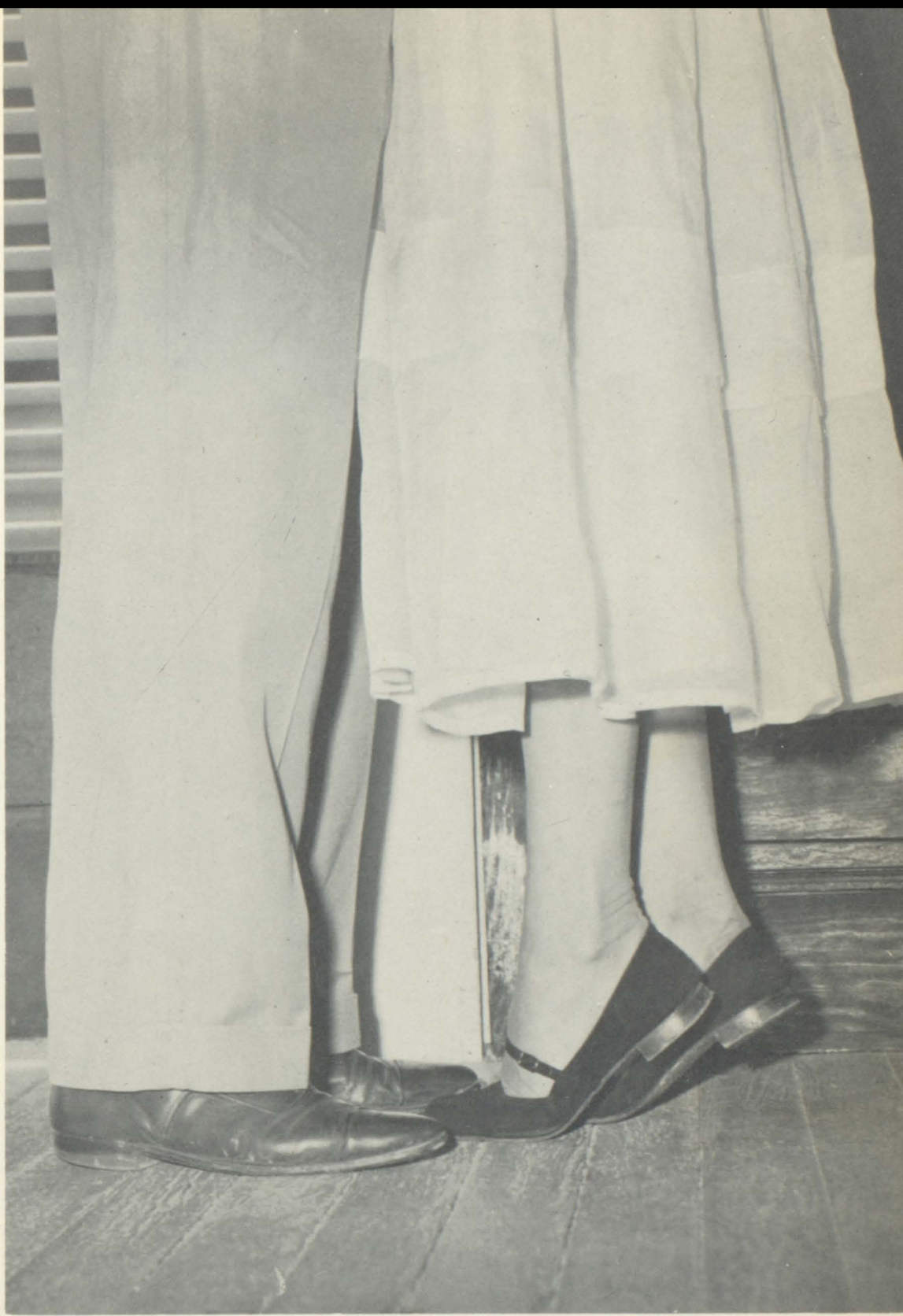
Gayle Waldon

Don Ward



Elementary Snapshots





Favorites ☆



Mildred Duke



Ruth Connell



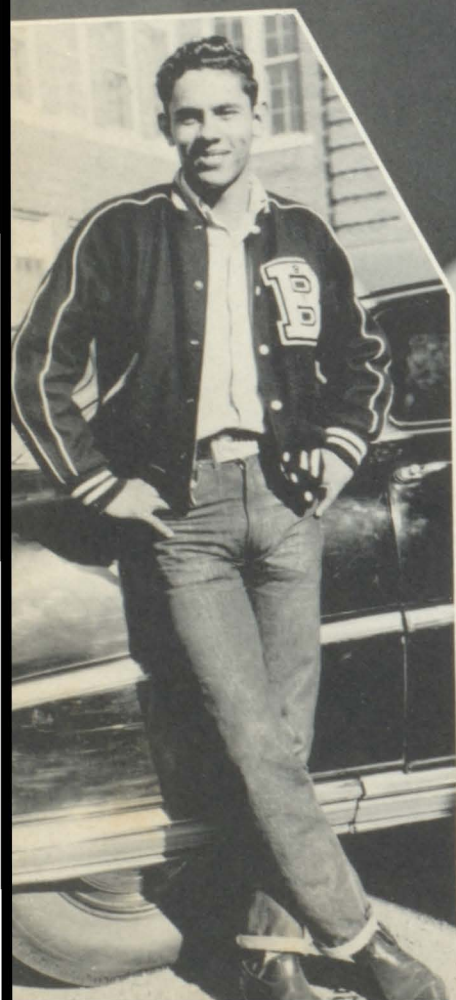


Gail Ellason

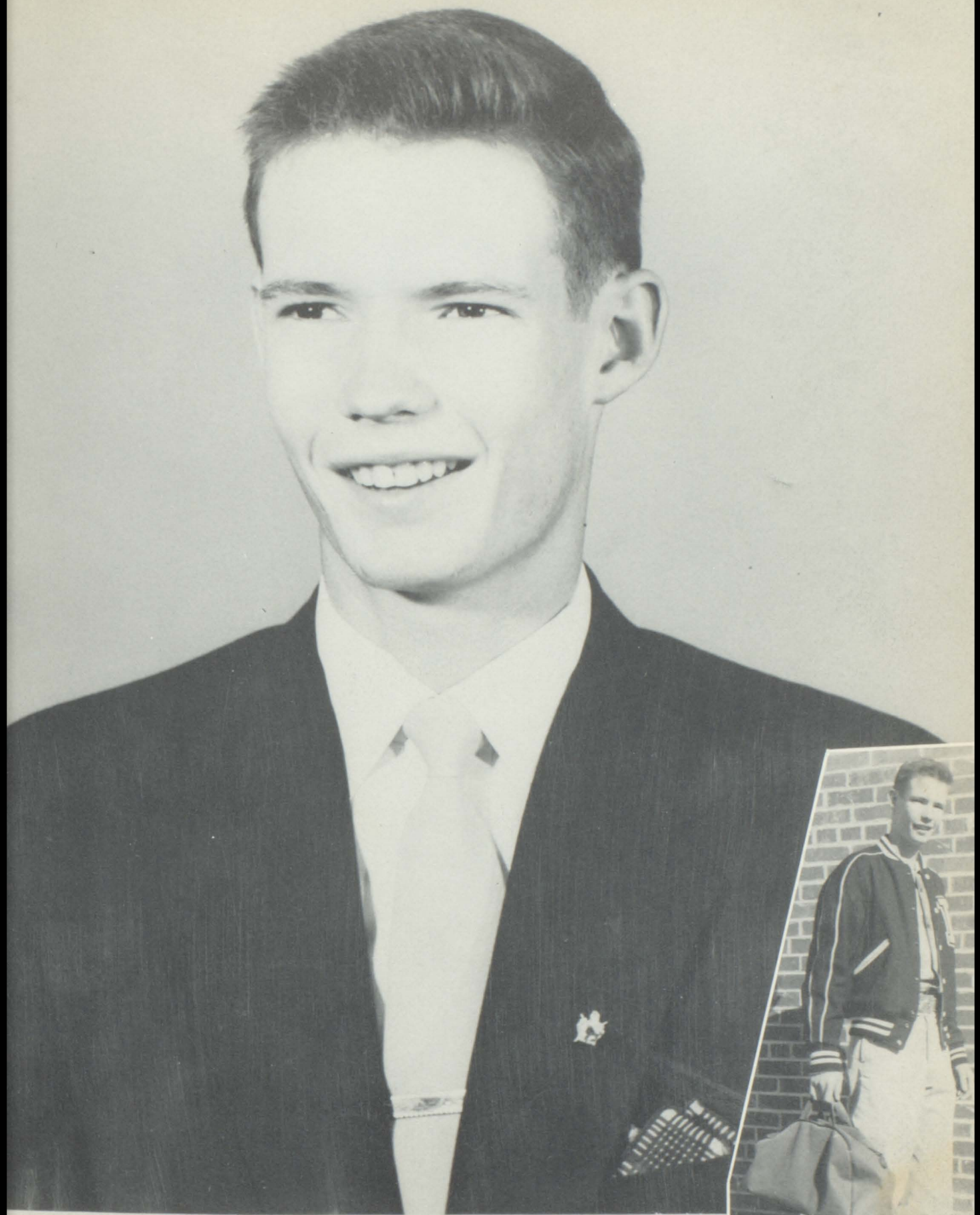


Genevieve Reeves



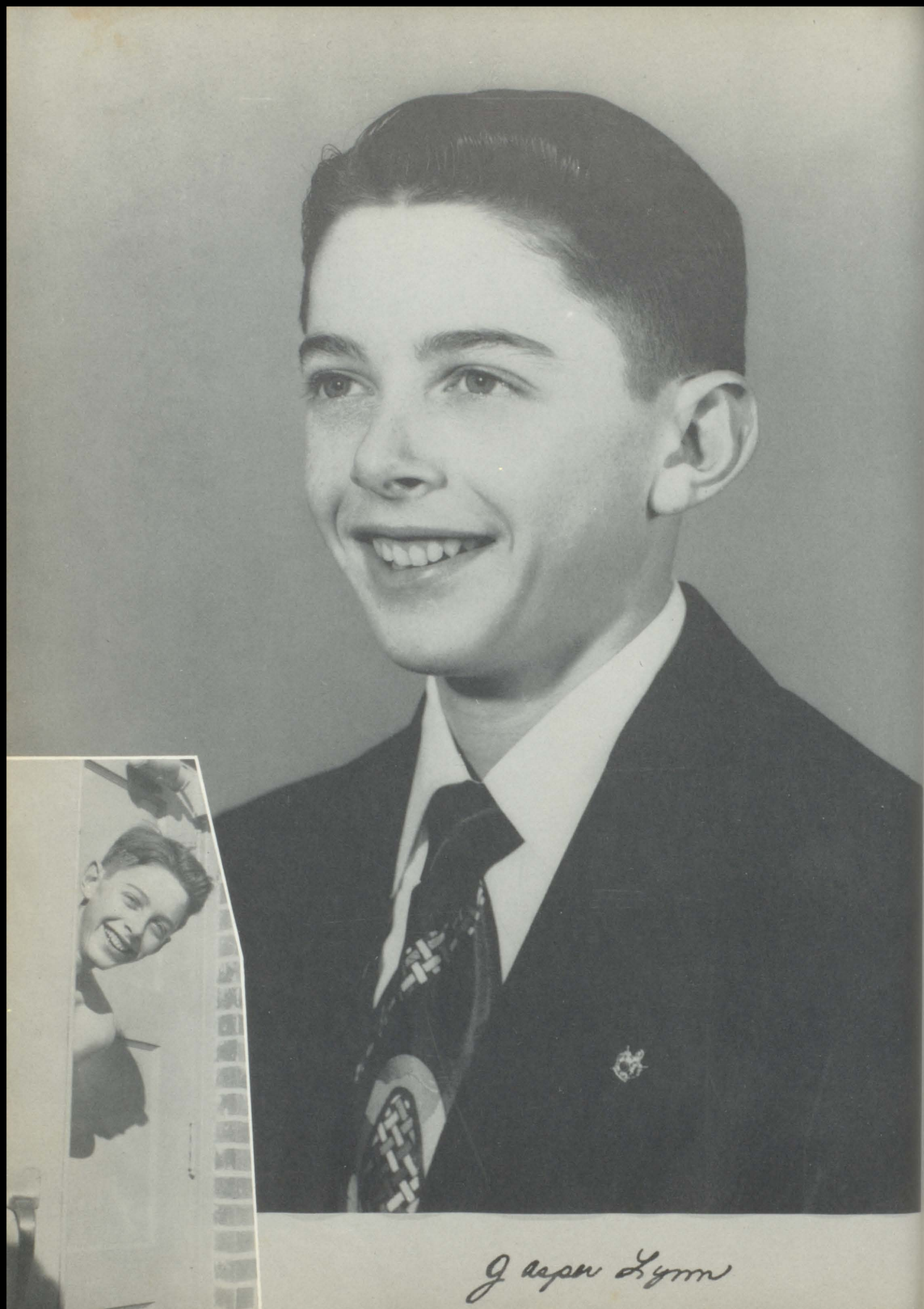


Manuel Hernandez

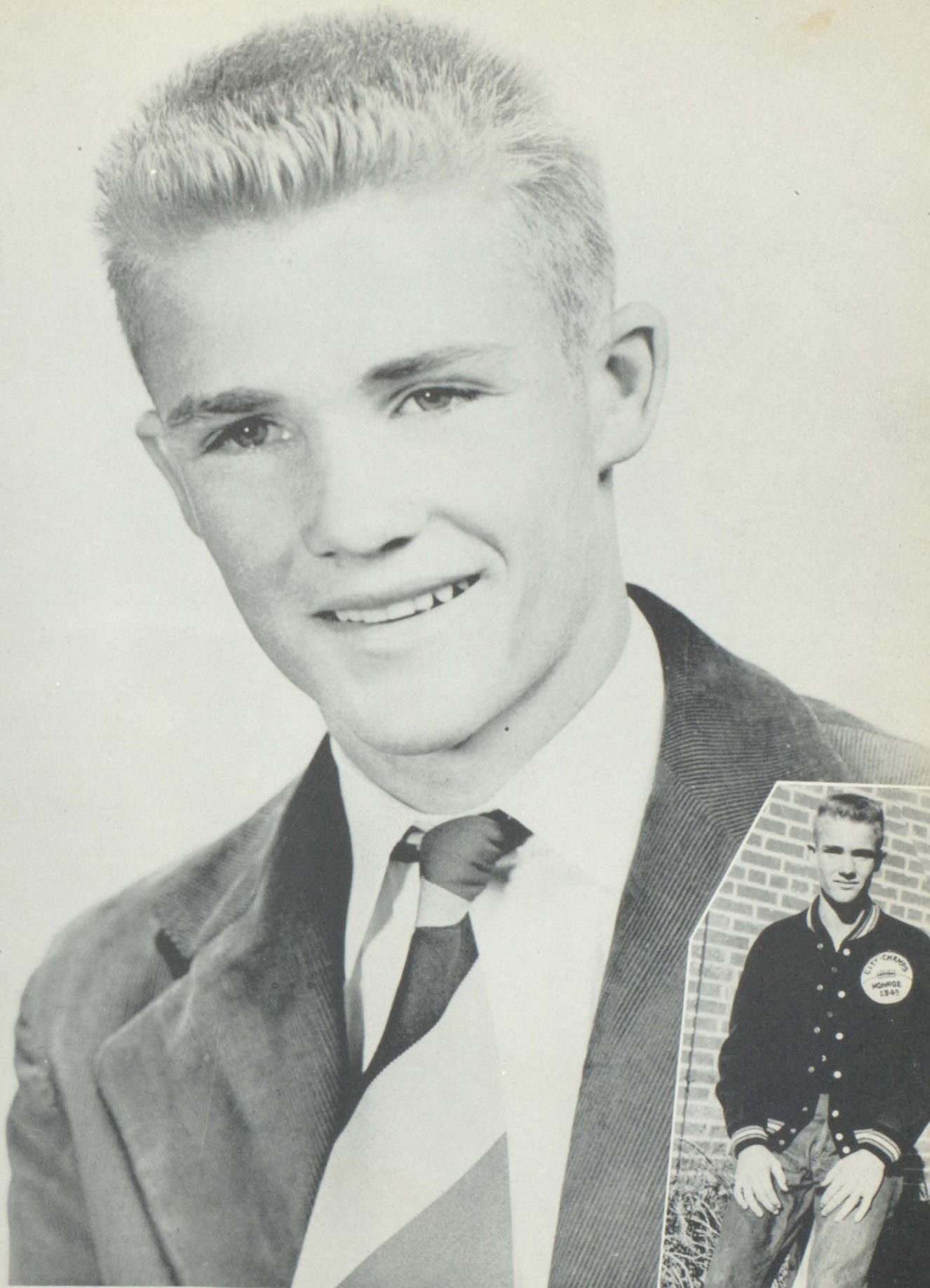


Danny Sagar





Jasper Lynn



Tommy Myers



Best All Round -
Thelma Jane Mc Kinney
Jasper Lynn



Most Popular -

Genevieve Reeves

Danny Logan



Friendliest -

Ruth Connell

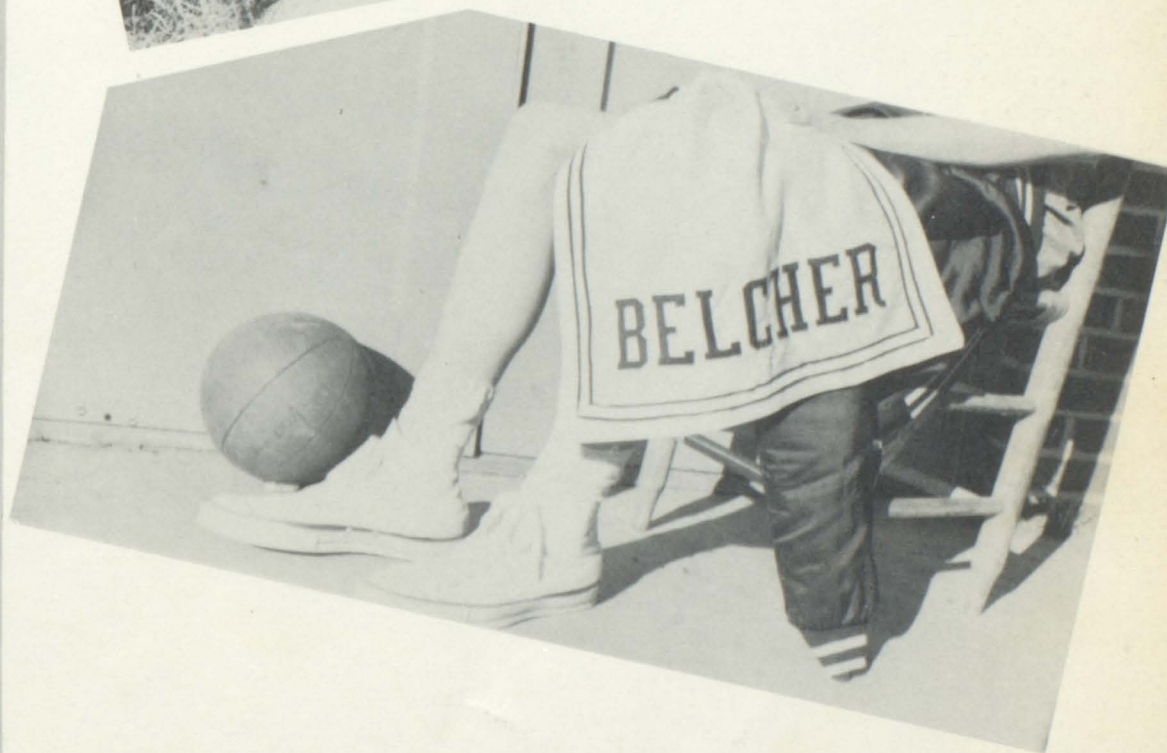
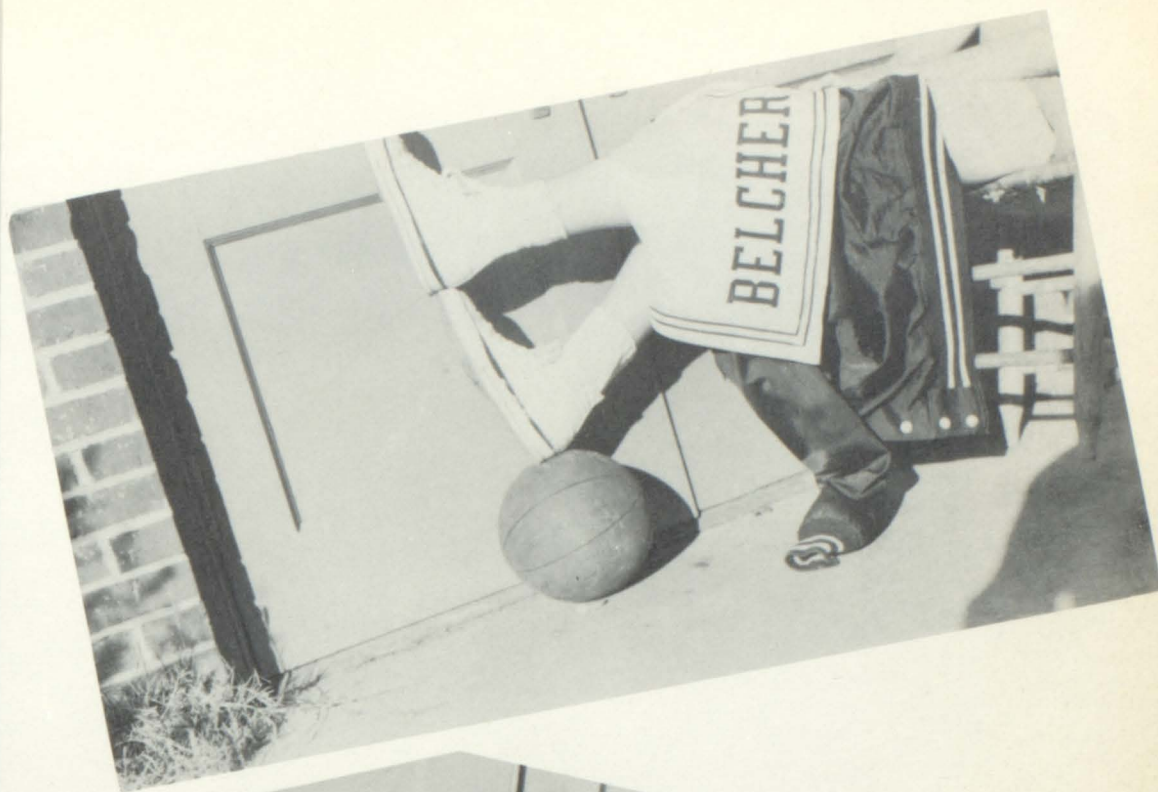
Johnny Armstrong



Eighth Grade Favorites -
Josie Glassell
Butch Gleason



Seventh Grade Favorites -
Linda Connell
John Ryan



Athletics ★



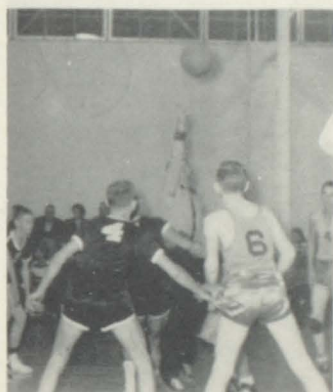
Best Athlete and Basketball Sweetheart
A. J. CRAIN and MILDRED DAKE

North Caddo League Champs



Front row: Haygood, Myres, Harkness, Parker.

Back row: Coach Connell, Crain, Armstrong, Logan, Lynn.



Eagles in Action



Belcher "B" Team



Front row: Logan, Volentine, Walters, Harkness .

Back row: Coach Connell, Nichols, Armstrong, Holemon, Hernandez, Hemperley, Crain.



LET'S GO EAGLES!





Ruth Connell, Genevieve Reeves, Rosebud Bickham, Annabeth Langford, Gail Gleason



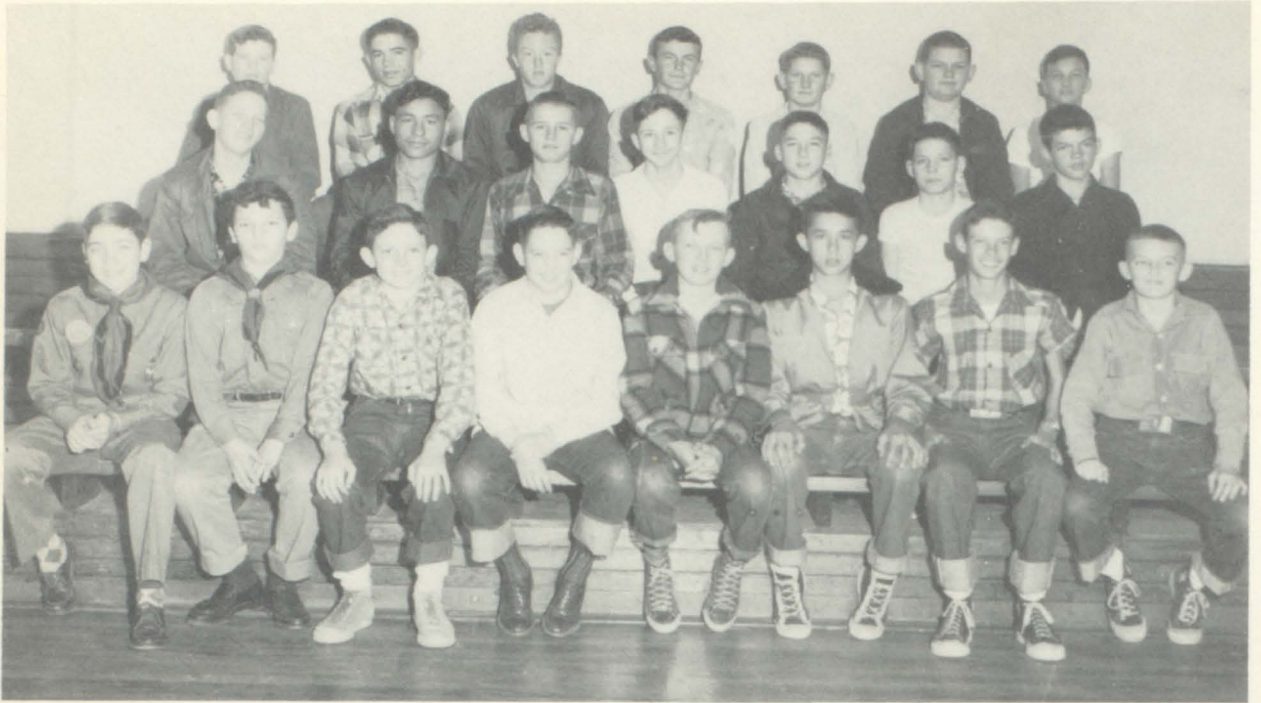
Mildred Dake

Alternates



Janice Howell

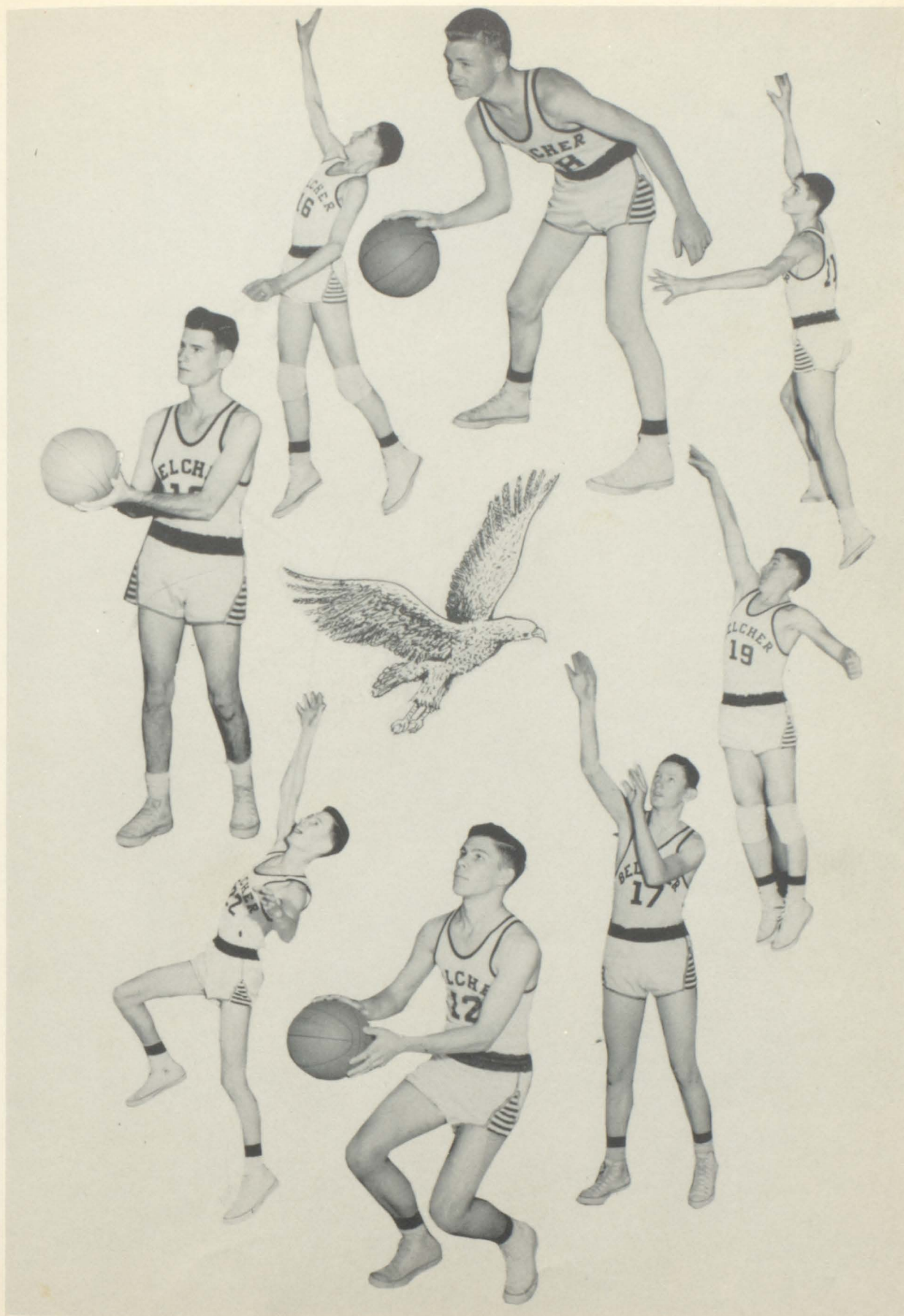
Belcher Junior Team



Front row: Ducote, Dickson, Barrett, Gleason, Land, Howeth, Logan, Curry, Middle row: Bickham, Meshell, Davis, Thomas, Bailey, McKissick, Robinson. Back row: Carlisle, Armstrong, Bickham, Campbell, Reneau, Cole, Shaver.



Cheerleaders: Josie Glassell, Mary Ann Droke, Linda Byrd, Ann Dickson.
Alternate: Peggy Denmon, Gertrude Reeves.



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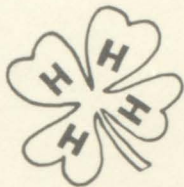
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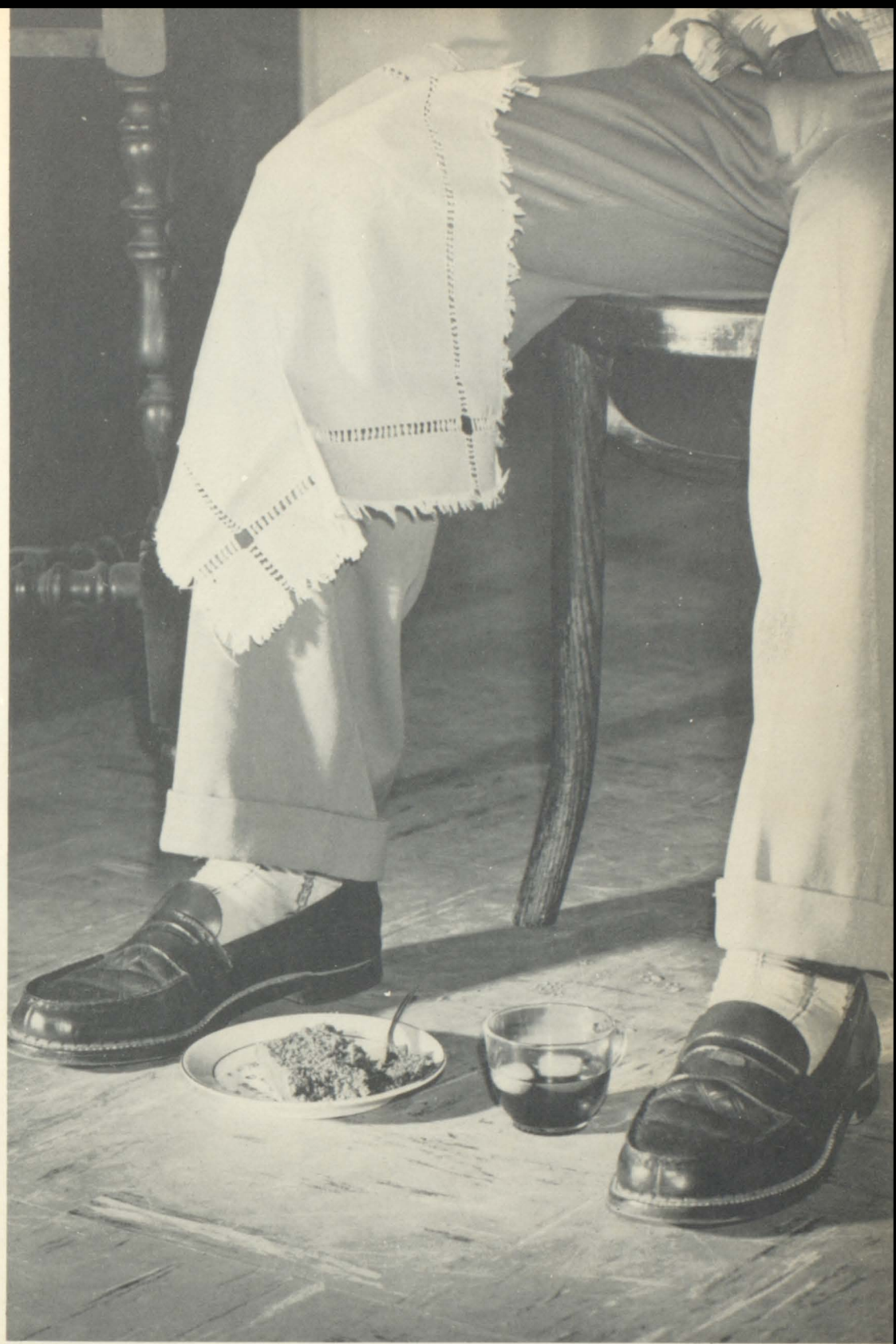
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Who will win?



Gwen and Ann



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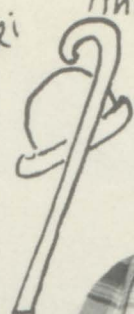


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Emil Vashki

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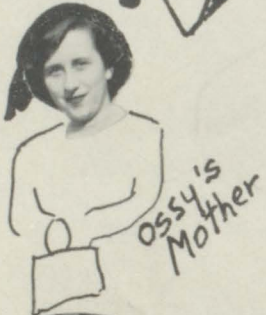
Luke
Watson
in garbage.

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Twinses

Dora - She's Frustrated



Mrs. Bixby
in Bonbons!



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Luke -
Some
Guy!



Yall-I'm Dixie Jones

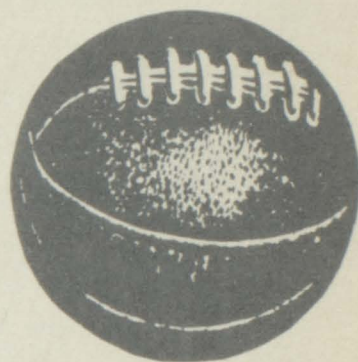


Ping the Piano
Tuner!





Sixth Grade Basketball Team



Alternates



Cheerleaders

Snapshots



Pat and Peg



Baseball Team



Poor Mildred!



Our String Band



Gen



Why so serious?



Shirley



Mike



A. J. and Floyd



Sisters



Julia?



Ou-La-La!



What a face!



Gee but we are sleepy!



Ruthie Connell



The Human Pyramid



Cathy



Mrs. Smith



Sandra and John



Call an ambulance!



Cpl. Land



Diana



Just look at the legs!



Miss Barham



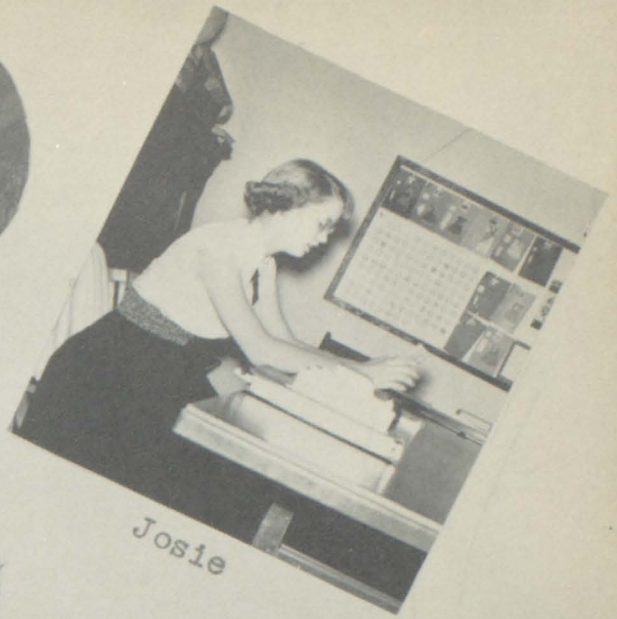
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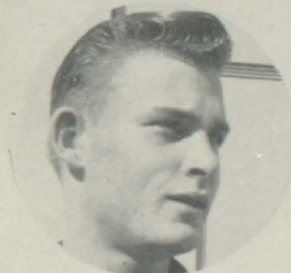
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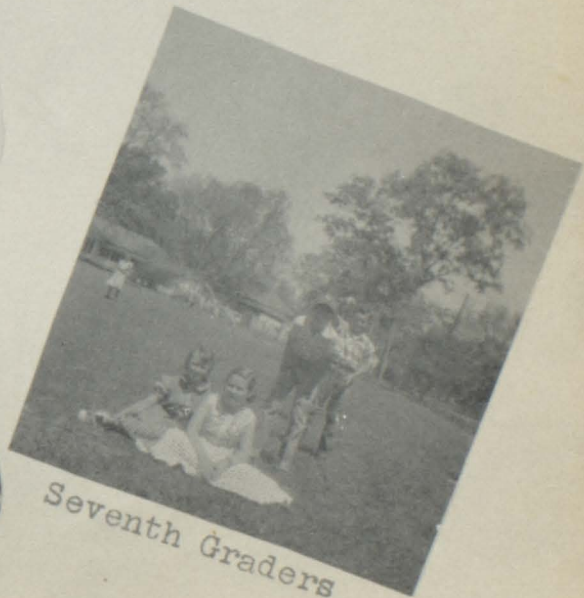
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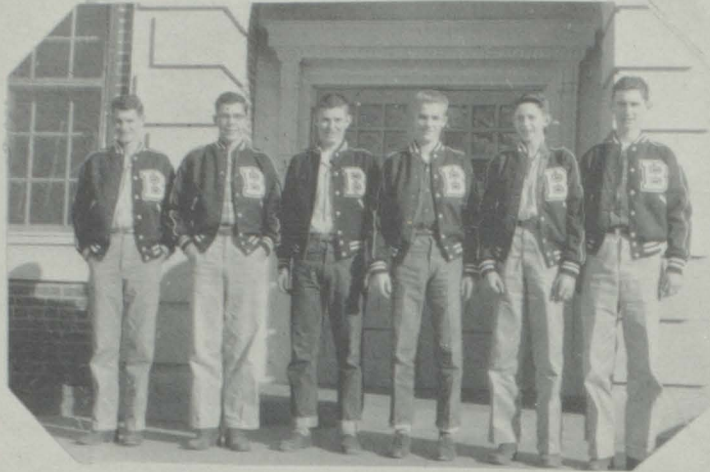
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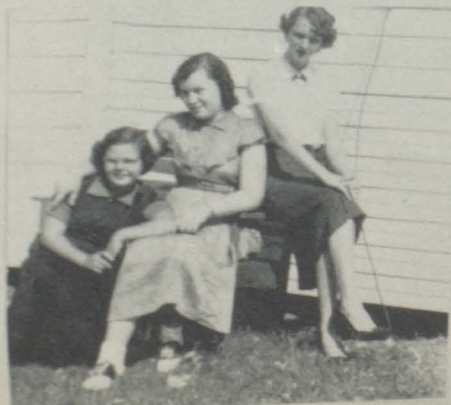
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Our Band of 1949



Who is it?



Pat-Wilna-Laron



Johnny and Jack



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Nice Bangs?



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Three Sophs



Sleep



Just Resting?



Mr. PAL



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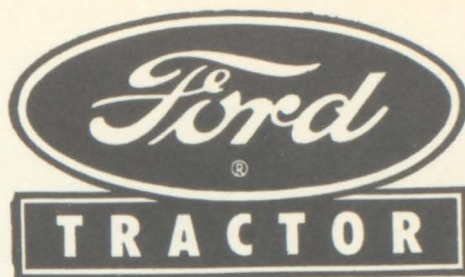
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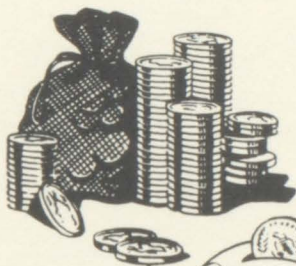
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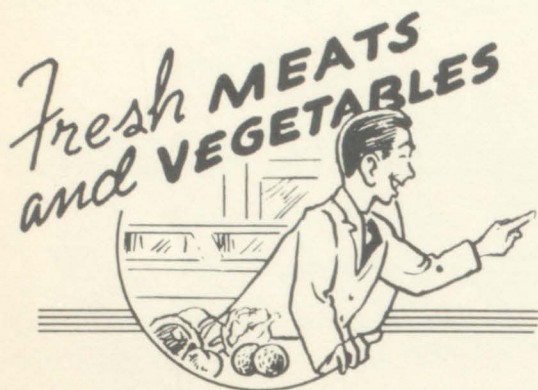
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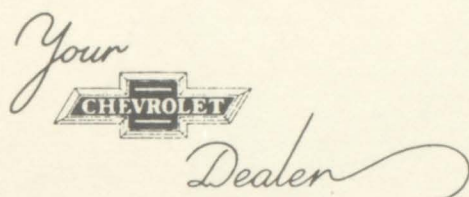
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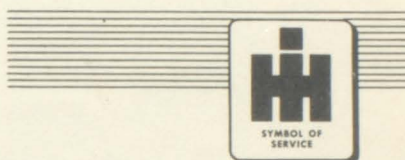
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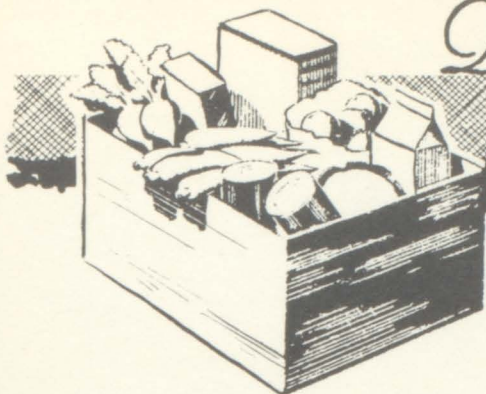
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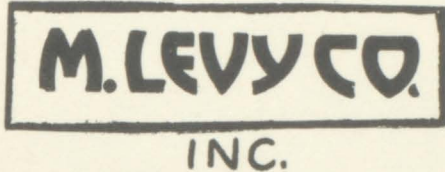
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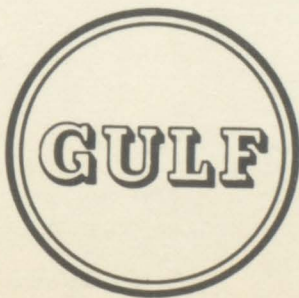
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